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RIDERS RESPONSE We Your American Legion  
Riders, Ride For God & Country, The American  
Legion Family & Allied Veterans Everywhere.  
Protect Those That Protect Us Amen

IMPORTANT UPCOMING EVENTS

\*State Meeting October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2019  
Indianapolis Marriot East – 7202 East 21<sup>st</sup> St.  
Indianapolis, IN 46219

For more information about any of these events,  
please visit our website:  
[www.indianalegionriders.org](http://www.indianalegionriders.org)

## From Director Irish

Greeting Brothers and Sisters,  
I would like to thank everyone who attended the Special called meeting in Brownsburg. We accomplished our goal and completed the 1<sup>st</sup> reading of the New Constitution & By Laws. We will have the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading at the October 5<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Indianapolis Marriott East during the American Legion Fall Conference. Hopefully, This step will put this issue behind us and we can move forward.

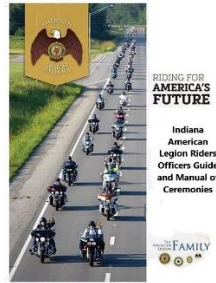
If I am reelected as your Director, I intend to appoint a special committee to continue “fine tuning” the By-Laws and to make further corrections & additions as needed.

On another note, I have ridden with a bunch of Chapters this season and one thing confuses me. In all the sign in tables, I haven't seen applications to join our organizations. These rides are our best opportunity to get new members. Please consider putting out ALR, Legion, Auxiliary and SAL applications.

Our State officers have been doing great visiting chapters, participating in rides and helping our Chapters accomplish their goals. I am extremely proud of the accomplishments of our team.

State Commander Connelly has asked for our support for his special project this year. I encourage all chapters to make a donation, hold a fundraiser, and to look for ways to assist him in his goal. This is a very worthy project.

At the special called meeting in Brownsburg, we handed out DRAFT copies of a New ALR Officer Guide and Manual of Ceremonies. We will have some more at the Fall Conference for our Chapters to review and make suggestions on. Please look this Manual over and get me your input as soon as possible. I would like to ask the ALR Committee to request some funds to have these professionally printed and available for distribution to every Chapter and Post in the Department of Indiana by our January Meeting.



Again, if reelected, I will be bringing the details of a Fundraising idea I got from Jay Sears at Milltown Chapter. It will involve visiting our Posts and Chapters to collect chances to win the cash prizes. I will be requesting permission from the Department American Legion to use its gaming license to do this fundraiser.

Michael “IRISH” Brady  
State Director

## From Communications -

**Chapter directors, please make a copy of the newsletter and past it out to the members.**

I have resent confirmation links for the newsletter. There are a couple of steps when subscribing to the

newsletter. First, you subscribe, and then second you are sent a confirmation email that you have to confirm you subscribed to the newsletter. If you do not confirm, you will not be mailed a newsletter. If you have any issues with information missing, or misspelled, or you would like anything added please contact me. Please let me know if you have any comments, questions or suggestions by contacting me at [cin8222@yahoo.com](mailto:cin8222@yahoo.com) or 317-797-9153.

Jacinda Stover  
Communication Director

## From Membership / Finance

Chapter Directors – it is your responsibility to be sure your Membership Officer & Finance Officer are doing their jobs! I cannot monitor every chapter..... Check their records to be sure they are up-to-date and are submitting renewals to me in a timely manner. Please work toward getting your Chapter computerized! This saves time and mistakes and makes it much easier to hand off to incoming officers. Please consider this when nominating for your next election.

It is past time to collect 2020 dues and send them in. Any members who do not pay their 2020 dues before January 1, 2020 will not be a member in good standing and cannot vote or hold an office. Legion Family dues must be paid before Rider dues can be paid. Check Legion Family membership cards for renewal date. Close of Books will be June 14, 2020. Dues received after Close of Books will not be

counted in the numbers allowed to vote at our state election.

Each Chapter must fill out a Consolidated Report and return it to me by March 15, 2020. If you do not have a copy of the blank of this report, please let me know. This is on our website – indianalegionriders.org – if you have any issues, I will get you a copy. You will be reporting 2019 information on this report. We will be doing Consolidated Reports every year, so keep track of the information you need for the report.

I know I sound like a broken record, but I am still receiving payments and envelopes with no contact info included. Please include your contact info, list of who you are paying for and Chapter number with all paperwork you send me! I still need LEG, AUX or SAL membership numbers from several chapters.

There is a good copy of the Membership Application on our State website – indianalegionriders.org - under Resources and Forms. You can download this – it is a Word document. Put your Chapter name and number at the top and save it. Then you can print as many copies as you need for new and renewing members. Many chapters are using different forms and therefore are not collecting all the information needed. Each new / returning member must fill out their own membership application. No one shares an application. Each member has their own individual Legion Family membership number.

We will be discussing raising State dues to \$5.00 per member. We have not raised State dues since we started so it is time. If we do vote to raise State dues, this will not take effect until the next calendar year – 2021. Plan to attend the State Meeting on October 5 to vote for or against this change in dues – and to vote for 2020 State officers.

Do not send me State dues for members until they have paid their Chapter dues. Pre-paying me skews your records and mine. Make checks payable to Indiana State ALR.

Copies of the current Financial Report are available to pick up at our State meetings. If you want to see the actual bank statements, see me before or after the meeting.

Always let me know when you change contacts for me. Send me an email or snail mail with the new contact information and include your Chapter number.

As always, if you have any questions or issues, don't hesitate to call me!

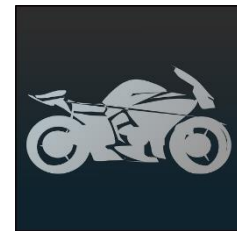
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## ON BEHALF OF HISTORIAN

Please friend me on Facebook and share your photographs of your rides, events, and special ceremonies with me so I can include them in our history. Remember to include names of riders pictured and the date of the event. Thanks

Danny White, ALR Historian



## From Northern assistant director

Good day riders

I would like to take a moment and thank all the ALR groups for their hard work & dedication. The rides that I have been able to attend & causes for ALR members have been fantastic. The months have been busy for all with the rides, meetings, and working with our Legion family. This can be a bit overwhelming at times, just remember the end results bring many memories and are for veterans and community support. I would like to touch base on the bylaws task that our ALR Director Michael Brady, Dina Long, myself along with input from the ALR family, have worked on. We as a group are working harder than ever to get this task accomplished, thank you for you

input and patience. The revised bylaws and constitution will be on the ALR page for you to download and bring to the fall conference, Oct 5th, along with any questions or concerns. The season is winding down and weather is changing remember stay safe out on your rides, many drivers are still not watching!!

I would like to thank everyone for all that you do representing the ALR by supporting your post and keeping the spirit of the Legion and its family's. I would like to make one request this year with the holidays coming up: pick a place, a hospital or nursing home and go see a veteran. They would enjoy a flag or a Merry Christmas. The memories we create now for our veterans will last a lifetime.

Thanks,  
Ira Glover  
Northern Assistant Director

#### **From Southern assistant director**

Hello Fellow Legion Riders,

It has been my pleasure to serve in this position after being appointed by Director Michael Brady after the July State meeting. During the last couple of months, I have tried to visit as many posts in the Southern Districts as possible. I have met some awesome new friends and been on some great rides.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the October

5th State Meeting and I am excited to announce that I will be presenting a new program to the membership for your vote and approval. It will be called the "Indiana ALR Gold Star Member " program. The program is designed to increase participation for chapters / members at the district and state levels. The idea for this program was NOT mine. Danny Price, our 6th District ALR Chairman, shared with me his vision of this program during our 6th District meeting in Cayuga on September 15th. Details of the proposed program will be presented at the State meeting for your vote.

Elections will also take place on October 5th. Please plan to attend and bring enough members to cast all of the votes allowed for your chapter. I will be contacting as many Directors as possible the week before as a reminder and to confirm the meeting time.

I will be working with our Director Michael Brady for the remainder of 2019 in an effort to make our State ALR better than ever and with your vote in the October will continue throughout 2020.

Ride Safe and God Bless

Jeff Everman  
Southern Assistant Director

#### **From Secretary**

Greetings riders family!

Hope you all have been enjoying the riding weather and participating in the many rides going on in our areas, for the many worthwhile benefits. Please continue to support your area events. Our memorial ride at Post 250 was a great day and we appreciate the support of our veteran's projects.

We had a well-attended event in Brownsburg, Sunday, the 22 of September. So nice to get to see so many of you in person and share the day.

I especially enjoyed getting to ride from Post 64, with their riders and Jeff Everman to the meeting. Please read and share these newsletters with your chapter members to stay aware of the current events. Make sure your contact info is current, and that these mailings go to your current Directors.

See you October 5th at our fall conference meeting and election of officers. Bring your Current Riders card to be able to vote!

I received one letter for a candidate for office, from Tisa Baker. It is as follows:

My name is Tisa Baker, I am a current member of the Women's auxiliary and ALR Chapter for Kenneth N. Dowden Wayne Post 64-Indianapolis. I currently hold the position of the Communications Officer for Post 64 ALR Chapter, which I have proudly done for the past

two years prior to that, I held the position of Secretary for two years. At our state meeting in July, I was nominated for the position of the State Communications officer. I am truly honored and humbled to have been nominated. With your vote in October I look forward to the opportunity to work alongside our state E-Board and all ALR chapters throughout our great state. Let's make 2020 a GREAT year.

See you in a couple of weeks!

Mary Lou Melton

ALR State Secretary

